Check Receiving Provider Information in VAOS for Transferring a Vaccine

VAOS Job Aid for Providers | 1/15/2021

Overview

Purpose

 The following job aid describes how COVID-19 Vaccine Providers may find Receiving Provider information in the Vaccine Allocation & Ordering System (VAOS) so that they may complete an approved transfer of vaccines

Audience

VAOS primary and backup vaccine coordinators



Texas Department of State Health Services

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Request Approved: Now What?

Once a request to transfer or return vaccines is approved, the **requesting person at the** *Transferring Provider* will receive an email notification.

Dear Provider,

Thank you for your return request submission. Your request to return 2 doses of COVID-19 from Mait_org16_01 has been approved. These doses will be transferred to Tes Acc!@.

As the returning provider, you are responsible for the physical transfer of the approved doses to Tes Acc!@. You can view the relevant details of your vaccine transfer, including the address and contact information for the receiving provider, in the Texas Vaccine Allocation and Ordering System (VAOS) at (https://texasvaccines.dshs.texas.gov).

Next Steps:

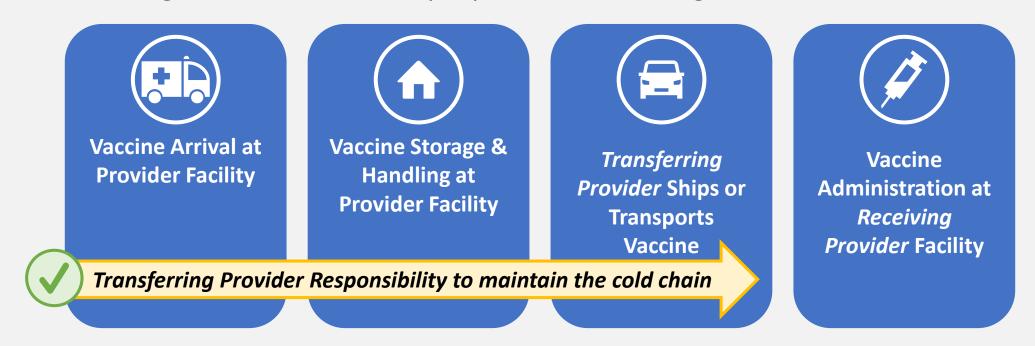
- 1. In VAOS, navigate to Service Requests and download Vaccine Transfer form to view relevant details for the receiving provider
- 2. Contact the receiving provider to coordinate the transfer of doses
- 3. Ship or otherwise physically transfer doses to the receiving provider as soon as possible

You can find additional information about VAOS and how to use it on the COVID-19 Vaccine Management Resources site.

For any questions related to COVID-19 orders, or technical questions on how the Vaccine Ordering and Management system operates, please contact COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.texas.gov

Responsibilities for Transferring Vaccines

When a Provider's request to transfer or return vaccines is approved, DSHS will indicate a *Receiving Provider* where the approved doses should be sent. The *Transferring Provider* is responsible for shipping or otherwise transporting the vaccine to the *Receiving Provider* while maintaining the cold chain and proper vaccine storage.



Transferring Providers are also responsible for any costs incurred in transferring vaccines.

Step 1: Navigate to the VAOS Provider Portal

To view information for the Receiving Provider, navigate to VAOS and click Vaccine Requests and Transfers to view your Service Requests.



Service Requests
All ▼

3 item
LIST VIEWS

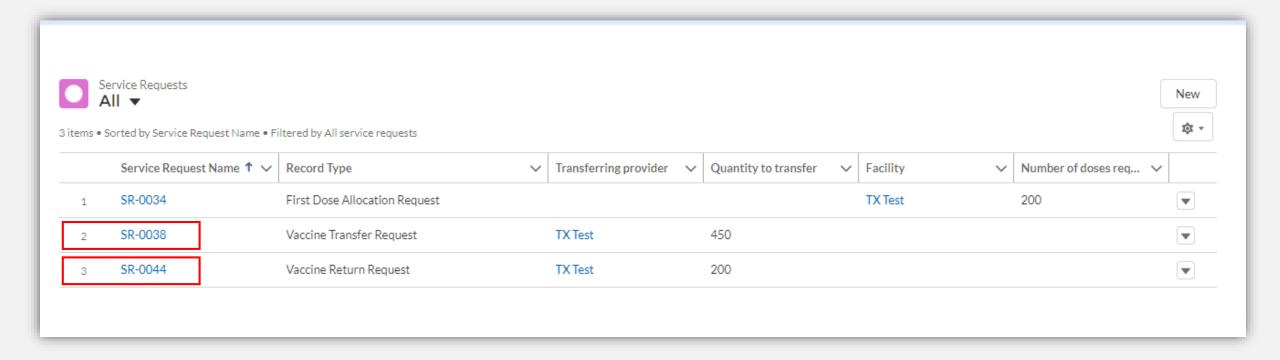
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Order Requests
Recently Viewed
Transfers and Returns

2. Select All.

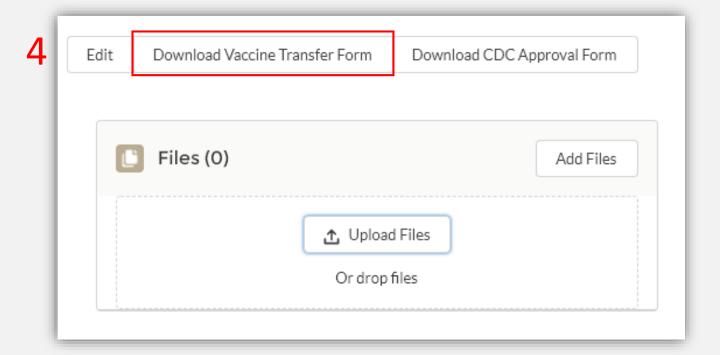
Step 2: Review the Transfer or Return Request

3. Select your approved Vaccine Transfer Request or Vaccine Return Request.



Step 3: Navigate to the Vaccine Transfer Form

4. In the **Files** section, click **Download the Vaccine Transfer Form.**



Texas COVID-19 Vaccine Program Vaccine Transfer Authorization Form

Guidance

Texas COVID-19 Vaccine providers are expected to maintain an adequate inventory of vaccine. The routine re-distribution of COVID-19 Vaccine is not allowed. Vaccine transfers are limited to: short dated vaccine, withdrawal of a provider from the COVID-19 Vaccine Program, or other (i.e., emergency, disaster, or equipment failure). When a vaccine transfer occurs, the proper cold chain must be maintained. When a provider needs to conduct a transfer of vaccine from one clinic to another, permission must be granted from the designated Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Health Service Region (HSR) prior to the vaccine transfer.

Directions for use of this form:

The Texas COVID-19 vaccine providers must complete the Vaccine Transfer Authorization Form (EC-67) for each vaccine transfer. Each vaccine that is going to be transferred must be listed on a separate row. Transfer requests must be signed by the DSHS HSR and returned to the clinic before a transfer can be conducted. The Vaccine Transfer Authorization Forms must be kept on file for a minimum of five years as required by the Texas COVID-19 vaccine Program and made easily accessible.

Vaccine transfer in emergency situations (i.e., activation of the Emergency Vaccine Storage and Handling Plan)

In the event that a provider must activate their Emergency Vaccine Storage and Handling Plan, providers must transfer vaccines to the alternative storage location identified in the plan. The PIN/Customer ID for the alternative location should not be included on the Vaccine Transfer Authorization Form if the alternative location is not a Texas COVID-19 vaccine provider. Providers must contact the DSHS HSR by telephone prior to faxing the Vaccine Transfer Authorization Form in the event of an emergency. If the DSHS HSR cannot be contacted, the provider may transfer vaccine to the alternative storage location and must notify the DSHS HSR as soon as possible.

Vaccine Transferring From:	Vaccine Transferring To:		
PIN/Customer ID: <u>A300425</u>	PIN/Customer ID: 111119		
Facility Name: TX Test	Facility Name: Person Test		
Address: 100 Congress Avenue,	Address: 123 Main St., 100		
City/State/Zip: Austin/TX/78701/United States	City/State/Zip: Austin/TX/78700/Travis		
Phone:	Phone: 1231231234		
Fax:	Fax:		
Contact: John Doe	Contact:		
Email:test123@gmail.com	Email:		

Reason for Transferring Request:

Other: I can't use all the vaccines doses allocated to me

Texas COVID-19 Vaccine Transfer Authorization Form

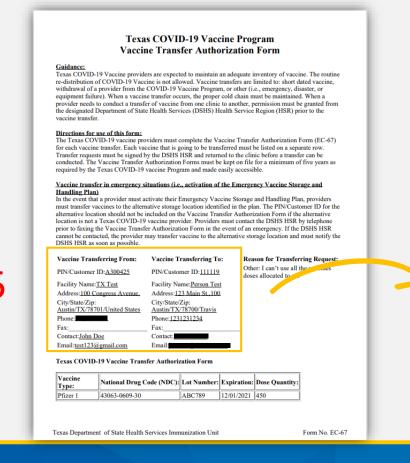
Vaccine Type:	National Drug Code (NDC):	Lot Number:	Expiration:	Dose Quantity:
Pfizer 1	43063-0609-30	ABC789	12/01/2021	450

Texas Department of State Health Services Immunization Unit

Form No. EC-67

Step 4: Review Receiving Provider Information

5. Review the Vaccine Transfer Authorization Form to find the *Receiving Provider* shipping and contact information.





Step 5: Complete Vaccine Transfer

6. Contact the *Receiving Provider* and coordinate the transfer of vaccines. Ship or otherwise physically transport the approved doses to the *Receiving Provider* using proper vaccine storage and handling.

Remember: it is the responsibility of the *Transferring Provider* to practice proper vaccine storage & handling and maintain the cold chain in transport.



Have Questions?

For questions about VAOS and accessing the dashboards, please contact us at COVID19VacMgmt@dshs.texas.gov